

THE LAST
W I L L
AND
TESTAMENT
OF

John Bradshaw,

President of the *High Court of Justice.*

WITH A

CODICILL

Thereunto Annexed:

Hell from beneath is moved to meet thee at thy coming, Psal. 14. 9.

Furor est ne moriare mori.

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TESTAMENT

John Bidwill

President of the Royal College of Physicians

CODICIL

To his executors

London
This 11th of June 1810



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John Bradshavv.

IN the Name of the DEVIL, and his DAM,
The Good Old Cause, Amen. I John Bradshaw,
the most impious Villain the earth ever groan-
ed under, being tormented in Body, with the ap-
parent Symptoms of the Plagues of Hell; but
thanks to an evil and affrighted Conscience of

bloody Mind, and accurst Memory, do make
and ordain this my last WILL and TESTA-
MENT, in manner and form following.

First, I most unwillingly surrender my Loath-
ed Soul into his hands that seduced it to the Per-
petration of so hideous a Murther, being well
assured to be for ever tormented in HELL, and
that trusting solely to my own Merits.

Secondly, my wretched body I require to be laid
on a Herce, alias a Hurdle, and to be drawn from
Westminster through the Streets of London to Tower
Hill, to be most ignominiously there Interr'd in
the Grave of Miles Sindercombe (his Corps being
first thence removed) since being too honest and
noble company for such a Cayiff. And for my
Worldly Goods and Preferments with which it
hath pleased the Devil and his faithful Servants
the Parliament, to stoe me, I do herein dispose of
them as foloweth.

First, I give and bequeath unto the Heirs of my
Lord Cottington, the Reversion of his Mannor of
Haworth and Freemantle, when neither the State
nor my Assigns can hold it any longer.

Item, I give and bequeath my Mannors and
Lands in Cheshire, descended to me from my
Ancestors to my good Friend and Countryman
Sir Georg Booth (whom I heartily thank for
frighting me to this natural Death) towards
the reparation of his Fortunes, or to any one
else that can find them.

Item, I give and bequeath my new made
Lodg-

Lodgings at the West end of Westminster Abbey to any of the present Grandees that are climbing and aspiring to be highest, (though I cannot wish well to my Cosen *Lambert*.)

Item, I give one Hundred Groats to Alderman *Ireton*, in a grateful remembrance of the damnable advice I had from his Brother, and in respect of his own mischievous service, to the Common-Wealth.

Item, I give and bequeath to my Fellow Labourer the Lord Chief Baron *wild*, my wrought Night-Cap wherein I slept so secure and dreadingless of any direful apparitions, being exceedingly useful to him against the haunting of the Ghost of innocent Captain *Burleigh*.

Item, I give and bequeath unto my familiar and close Friend Mrs. *Lenthall* the Speakers Lady, as much Scarlet of my High Court of Justice Robes, as will make her a Petticoat, to be worn against the next Thanksgiving day to be solemnized at Grechers Hall, and the remainder of it to be burnt to powder to cure the sore throats that Squire *DUN* will shortly make among my Consorts.

Item, I give and bequeath to the silent Speaker my Gold trimm'd Gloves being used and accustomed to Bribes, being a suitable qualification for a Master of the Rolls.

Item, I give and bequeath unto the Dishonorable *william Earl of Salisbury* my black Silk Garters, that will be fitter for his Neck, than his blew

Blew Garteris for his Legg. V 2112 2011.1
 Item, The self and residue of my Apparel I
 give unto the Hangman, to whom of due right
 they only do belong. Item, I give all my Preferments to my Bro-
 ther *Lise*, having been my Successor in my
 grand facinorous employment, excepting only
 the Judge ship of the Sheriffs Court, which I
 would request the Londoners for the great good
 I have done them, to confer again upon Mr.

Pradar.

Item, I Will and Require my Executors here-
 after named, for the perpetuating that most in-
 famous and abominable Fact of *Regicidium* to
 dispend annually one hundred Pound Sterling on
 an Anniversary Oration in the Elogie of that
 Monke that stabb'd *Henry the 3d, of France.*

Item, I give one thousand Marks to any one
 that will assume and bear the name of *Ravilla* in
 that Kingdom, and so *Concius vicibus*, as often as the wheel shall bruise any of them.

Item, Five hundred Marks more to the ere-
 cting of a stately Monument to the glorious me-
 mory of *Guy Farks*, to be placed in the room of
 the late Tyrant and Traitor *Olivier.*

Item, I give one thousand pounds more for the
 redemption of Turkish and Infidel Slaves, ta-
 ken by Piratical Christians, and that Alderman
Pack be Treasurer for it, to whom I Will and
 Require my Executors to pay the same, making
 Security that he pay it within ten days after he hath

hath cleared his account with the *Piedmont Protectors*.

Item, I do by all means desire, and I do hereby specially charge my Executors that *Peter Stour* Preach my Funeral Sermon, and that he may (if possible) regain his credite. I do command him to say, *That I am placed at the right hand of the Devil.*

The rest and residue of all my Goods and Chattels, Lands and Hereditaments, my Especial and Singular Virtues, my Religion, my Charity, my Mercy, I give to my dearly beloved Pimp Mr. *Nedham*, desiring him, that if he hangs not for his own sake, he would hang for mine, requesting my other Mercury Mr. *Will. Lilly*, and the above mentioned Esquire *Dunne*, to be aiding and assisting to him in the execution of the premises. Bequeathing unto Mr. *Lilly* a Hempson Chain, which he may either make use of himself, or send as a return to the King of *Sweden*.

Signed, Sealed, and Declared by the aforesaid *John Bradshaw* to be his last will and Testament.

In presence of

JOHN BRADSHAW.

Hugh Peters:

Philip Nye.

John Caine.

A CODICILL.

The Testator adds (which through impenitency, or inco-
-gitaney he had omitted in the WILL before an-
-nexed) these following Bequests and Legacys.

Item, I give and bequeath unto the Sollicitor Cook the High Court of Justice-Man my broad Beaver Hat (it being Gallows-Law to give it after the Plaintiff is fung) to hide his Squint Eyes; and because I have no better Jewels by me, I give and bequeath unto him the Mill-stone mentioned in the Gospals to be worn as a special Ornament in his Hat-band.

Item, I give and bequeath a timely Item unto the brood of Dorislaw, that they so thwth depart this Kingdom, lest they suffer the same at London, which their villainous Father deservedly underwent in the Hague.

Item, I give and bequeath unto the Executors of Edmund Prudence my Attorney General this ensuing Cau-
tion, That they reserve the sixty thousand pound Bribe-Gold in their Hands for the rebeautifying of Cheapside-Cross: And for that I will speak with him my self.

Item, (if there can be any conclusion) as my last Bequest and Legacy, would the Small Pox, the French Pox, the Plague had besallen Mr. Recorder Steel, and the rest of them, before I had medled with them, or their Good OM. Caust? So I begin, and so I have ended.

For the validity and more certain truth of this Codicill, I have desired the Credentials of Secretary Thurlow, together with a true Copy of Sommers Ptsr, to be labelled hereunto.

Sic Testator,

JOHN BRADSHAW.

JOHN THUR E. N.
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